

The Snyder Signal

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M. PEARL, JR. ACCIDENTALLY KILLED

Mr. Wm. Pearl, who has been engaged here this year in various lines of special public work was called to the telephone late Monday evening and received the shocking news that his son William, aged about sixteen years, had been accidentally killed at Paducah where the family are living.

Frank A. Grayson and E. J. Anderson came at once to his side to arrange for him to go to the scene of sorrow. They arranged with Tate Lockhart to take him across the country to Paducah and they left here about nine o'clock Monday night. Up to Thursday Tate had not returned and no report of particulars are known here.

There was a meagre report that William took a gun and went out hunting early Monday morning. At noon he had not come in and a search was started. He was found dead with the gun by his side.

William was well known here. The family lived here last year and he visited here a few weeks ago. He was a good boy and had many friends here.

The people of Snyder are united in feelings of sympathy for Mr. and Mrs. Pearl.

SOLDIERS RE-UNION DANIELS HOME JULY FOURTH

Program to be rendered at the gathering of old Soldiers July 4, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Daniels.

All old Soldiers and their wives invited to be present at 10 a. m. Every body invited to the program of exercises at 2 p. m.

Song High Ground—All the people.
Invocation—Chaplain J. W. Shaw.
Song Coming Home.
Address, Spirit of 1860—Jas. L. Spiller.

Song Holding on to Jesus.
Reading, Johnny Reb—Lucille Strayhorn.

Song, Star Spangled Banner.
Reading, Asleep—C. W. Wilkes Jr.

Song, Work till Jesus Comes.
Reading, Soldiers of '61—Ruth Bushanan.

Song, "Dixie".
Reading, Mares Robert Is asleep—Thomas Monroe.

Song, Just Before the Battle.
Reading, My Suit of Confederate Grey—Willie Mae Wilks.

Song, Columbia.
Address—D. P. Lane.

Song, America.
Religion or Christianity in Camp—Rev. D. H. Hurt.

Song—H. E. Kincaid.
Song—Kin Elkins.

J. T. Hunt,
For Committee.

Baptist Church Calls Pastor.

At a regular conference meeting of the First Baptist Church last Sunday a call was made to Rev. W. H. Chandler of Marlow, Oklahoma to be the pastor of the church.

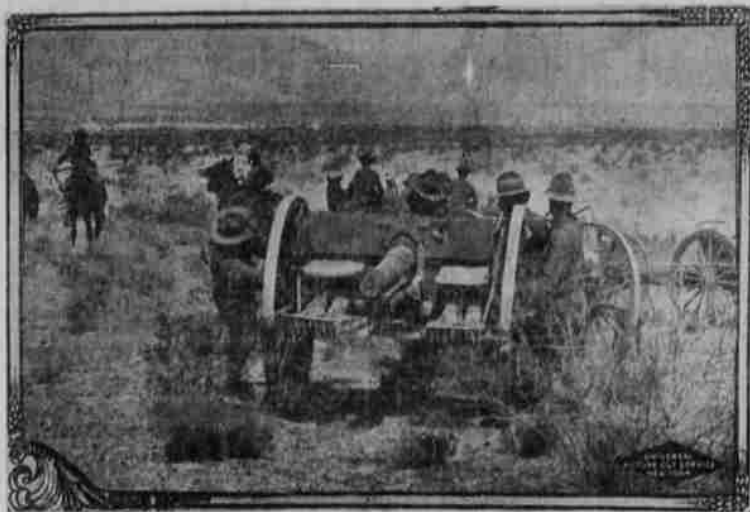
Rev. Chandler was here two weeks ago and it is understood that the matter was discussed at that time and it is presumed that he will accept the call.

Two Old Timers Here

Mr. A. D. Person and Judge H. B. Adams have been here this week from Dallas. When asked if they were arranging to come back to Snyder, Judge Patterson said: "We may be said to be prospecting." These two men were leading citizens in the long ago, when Snyder was a frontier town, with no railroad facilities. They may well feel proud at the city which they nurtured through all these formative years and if they want to come back to enjoy the pleasures of living here, the people will be glad to have them come.

Wednesday's war news said Gen. Trevino has an army estimated at 15,000 to 40,000 Mexican troops dispatched in Chihuahua in such a way as to command both railroad lines.

United States Artillery Now in Mexico. Background Shows Character of Country



I. O. O. F ASSOCIATION POSTPONED

The Signal is requested to state that at the suggestion of some of the State officers of Odd Fellowship in Texas, the West Texas District Association of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs which was to have been held in Snyder in August has been postponed to Sept. 20-21. Extensive plans have been under way for the entertainment of the distinguished guests at the meeting and all these plans will be held intact for September, just the same. We expect a great time on this occasion. The people of Snyder will be at home to the visitors and we feel safe in guaranteeing them a good time.

TRIP TO COLORADO BY SNYDER CITIZENS

At the instance of Mayor H. L. Howell with his car and two sons, Augustine and Lemoine, representing the city of Snyder, J. P. Chambliss and J. K. Blackard representing the Chamber of Commerce and A. C. Wilmett representing the Snyder Fire Department, visited the city, to discuss the general methods and conduct of the different departments.

The Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Colorado and the farm demonstration agent were very cordial and willingly gave all desired information in that line.

We found a very congenial feeling with Mayor Adams and the city council, also Druggist Woods, who supplied an automobile and gave us a ride over the well kept streets of their town.

The Snyder party returned home arriving here about 5 p. m.

TRANSIENT STRANGER DIED NEAR ARAH

A stranger named Cooper who was traveling with his wife and four children, died this week near Arah and was buried in Snyder Wednesday. He was traveling for health and about two weeks ago stopped near Arah, too ill to travel, and died there. He left a destitute family and the people are making up money for their relief.

Arrested for Refusing Oath.

Fort Hill, Okla., June 28.—Three members of the Oklahoma National Guard are under arrest for refusing to take the oath of allegiance to the United States. They were one Sergeant and two privates of Troop B.

Four members of the regimental infirmary also refused to take the oath at the preliminary roll call. They were not arrested, but will be if they refuse to take the oath when the infirmary is paraded for mustering. The three under arrest will be court martialed. The guard is 500 men short of full war strength.

BOOSTER PICNIC AT HERMLEIGH 12-13TH

Prominent speakers have been invited, contract closed for big carnival, merry-go-round, base ball game each day. Special rates on the Santa Fe and Special train on the R. S. & P. Railway. Something doing every hour of the day. The big ware house will be decorated and well suited for the occasion. Two days of solid pleasure. Follow the band this will be a happy crowd. Remember the date, July 12 and 13.

WHAT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DID

The proceedings of the Democratic executive committee meeting held in Snyder on June 19th were published last week as far as the matter of assessments on candidates and completion of the committee. The ticket will carry about 64 names of electors, state and district candidates and nearly 50 county and precinct presides at the primaries.

The following named persons will preside at the primaries:

Snyder, D. Nation.
Hud, J. C. Helms.
Ennis, C. T. Williams.
Bermett, W. P. Ribba.
Flanagan, S. P. Kinath.
Conro, Chas. Eastman.
Rosen, C. N. Vonlander.
Sharon, Emmett Trevino.
Ira, A. Rhodes.
Bunn, F. I. Townsend.
Roth, J. A. Boyd.
Lone Wolf, W. C. Ferguson.
Pryor, D. Z. Ross.
Hermleigh, H. W. Harbin.
Canyon, J. A. Galloway.
Loyd-Maurice, C. R. York.

A special committee consisting of P. I. Townsend, D. Nation, A. Rhodes, S. P. Smith and C. R. York will meet in Snyder July 18 to arrange the official ticket.

The committee approved the action of the chairman in ordering election supplies at one dollar per set for 17 sets.

The chairman was empowered to contract for printing 2000 official tickets.

Protest convention July 22.

In each voting precinct the chairman is instructed to call a precinct convention at 2 p. m., July 22 to elect delegates to the county convention to be held in Snyder July 29th to elect delegates to the state and district conventions. Each precinct is entitled to one delegate for each 25 votes cast for Governor at the election in 1914 and the county may send one delegate to state and district convention for each 100 votes in Nov. 1914.

Mrs. Katherine Vance Harrison on trial in Fort Worth for murder of W. L. Warren, a hotel man was given a five year sentence to the penitentiary.

MEETING OF PLAY-GROUNDS ASS'N.

At the regular meeting of the Snyder Play-Grounds Association Monday afternoon at the City Park Auditorium the treasurer was authorized to pay Miss Iryd Winters \$50 per month to direct the children each month. Reports indicate that the equipment will soon be placed and there will be many attractions for the children. The Christian church readily gave the use of the church yard adjoining the auditorium for the location of the swings. The volley ball grounds were also planned, as well as the sand pile, merry-go-round, the slide and other necessary entertainment features.

It is expected that much pleasure will be derived from the investment thus far made.

Graduates in Education

A large number of Snyder people assembled at the Christian church Friday evening, June 23 and witnessed the most interesting graduation exercises, rendered by Miss Dora Daville Dawson, assisted by Miss Christine Morris.

Miss Dawson explored the audience with a number of perfect questions, which demonstrated the efficiency of Mrs. F. L. Hutchinson, who is doing a great work among our young people in the education line.

At the conclusion of the program Judge Callen C. Higgins, in a masterly manner, presented Miss Daville with a much deserved diploma. All present enjoyed the program and the performers were the recipients of beautiful floral offerings.

Moved to Rotan

Prof. E. A. Watson and family have moved away from Snyder this week to Rotan where Mr. Watson will engage in the practice of law. He goes there at the solicitation of a number of the business men of the town and because he considers it a good town and a fine opening for a lawyer. Mr. Watson is a splendid gentleman. He made good as superintendent of Snyder schools and was appreciated here as a wise, capable, progressive citizen, a man of good education and business ability. The school trustees also know his good friends and shall always wish him well in his chosen profession and at his new home.

Rural Route A Begins Saturday

Motor Rural Route A, which includes routes 2 and 3, begins Saturday, July 1, with J. W. Henderson as carrier. The mail will leave on the old route 2 at 11 a. m. and route 3 will be carried in the afternoon.

The foregoing is the last order of the postal department at hand up to press time Thursday afternoon, and will be put into effect unless otherwise instructed.

POULTRY ASSOCIATION ORGANIZED

Quite a number of men and women met last Saturday in the basement of the Court House and organized The Snyder County Poultry Association. The meeting was called in order by P. Benbenek and Ed Warren was temporary Secretary.

Several persons gave their address for membership and there are many other successful poultry raisers who will join.

Following is a list of members: Rev. C. H. Kelly and wife, E. C. Dodson, P. H. Caldwell, R. E. Daugherty and wife, J. C. Mitchell and wife, I. H. Moore and wife, Oscar Davis and wife, Chas. Jones, M. L. Hill, P. Benbenek, A. S. Berry, Emmett Barker, N. Deters, C. C. Brackeen, E. A. Warren, J. S. Hardy and W. D. Lemons.

Rev. C. H. Kelly was unanimously elected President, P. Benbenek was chosen Vice President and Mrs. R. S. Daugherty was elected Secretary and Treasurer.

Committee appointed by President to draft By Laws and Resolutions was as follows: E. A. Warren, J. S. Hardy, J. C. Mitchell, E. C. Dodson and P. Benbenek.

Motion to call this organization The Snyder County Poultry Association carried.

Motion to have the Secretary to write an article for publication inviting all who are interested in The Snyder County Poultry Association to be present at the next meeting carried.

Meeting adjourned to meet on the 15th of July at 7 p. m.

REPORTED GEN. TREVINO WOULD RELEASE PRISONERS

The following war special may be taken for whatever it is worth:

10 July, June 28.—General Trevino has ordered that the American prisoners interned in the Chihuahua City penitentiary be taken to Juarez and there, with their arms and accoutrements, be released, according to information received at the Juarez communication center.

Mexican authorities asserted that Gen. George Bell, commanding the El Paso military district should be notified of Gen. Trevino's orders and that the prisoners are expected to arrive in Juarez. Gen. Bell did not deny the report, but refused to discuss it.

There are twenty-three American prisoners held at Chihuahua City, including Louis Spillane, the Mexican Scout, Armer headquarters said and report on the Mexican soldiers would have to be made public by Gen. Pershing at San Antonio.

San Antonio, July 28.—No report that Gen. Trevino had ordered the American prisoners at Chihuahua City released had reached General Pershing at his early hour tonight.

The American people may believe the release story after it has been done. Even if the men should be taken from the prison they are apt to meet that same old treachery for which Mexican soldiers are noted. "Remember the Alamo." "Remember Goliad."

Jap Soldiers in Mexico

It is said there are both Japs and Germans with Mexico and that Gen. Monterey and his men put them to rout and have sent them to work at the Japanese warships.

A Japanese agent further says:

"A special trait, they said, left Monterey yesterday, completely filled with Japanese soldiers under command of six Japanese officers and a few petty officers for Chihuahua where it was said they were to reinforce Gen. Trevino's force."

This report offsets the assurance given out by a Japanese official that Japan was taking no part in the matter.

Bill McQuaid and Miss Carrie Lee were married at 5 o'clock Wednesday evening at the home of the officiating minister, Rev. C. H. Kelly.

OPEN MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD

Quite a few interested citizens assembled at the city park auditorium Tuesday night to meet in open session with the city council and Chamber of Commerce and discuss the proposition of establishing a commission form of government for Snyder.

After several questions propounded by local men, Messrs. Thomas F. Hodges, and Will Job, of Sweetwater, made extensive addresses on the text subject.

These gentlemen, having gone through just the plan necessary to accomplish the progressive change, went into instructive detail as to the best course to pursue in accomplishing the desired ends.

Every property owner should have been present to hear the subject discussed, especially since it has been determined that the matter will be put right up to our people to determine the result. This is a proposition that must be handled as individual voters, and no reasonable man can avoid the issue now and vote intelligently later. Our people must face the facts in the case, and they should begin now to study the ins and outs of the plans.

Next Thursday, July 6, another meeting is called at the same time and place, at which time it is expected that definite plans for action will be adopted.

Those who desire to go into the details of the subject are requested to get a copy of the 1911 Record Statutes and study the 22nd text, beginning at chapter 1, however, chapters 1 in 13 contain the towns less than 5000 population.

Let every tax payer be present next Thursday night.

CHILDREN'S DAY AT MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Mr. Editor:

You ought to have been with us at Mount Zion. It was Children's Day and these children sure did acquit themselves well. Everything was well rendered.

I thought what a great difference in the polish of children reared up in a Sunday school and those who have no Sunday School advantages. It is certainly a sad thing to rear children in a community where there is no Sunday school. The time now is at hand when a Sunday School education is of more importance than a literary education.

It would have done you good just to have heard these children declaim. Everything was so appropriate and so well rendered. Mrs. Green opened the program with a splendid Glee, then singing. These young people all seem to be up on vocal music and they sang how is marvelous. Mrs. Martin knows just exactly how to conduct a Children's Day or at least the very best possible. It was just what was needed right at this season and a few minutes before 12 o'clock.

Rev. Horton, the Superintendent, emphasized that these would be dinner for all and I tell you he laid the truth for there was dinner enough for at least 500 people, but space forbids me trying to tell you about that dinner.

At about 1:30 Prof. Ed Berry was on the spot to "deliver the goods" in more vocal music. He invited Prof. Whorton and Corley who led a few songs, and then the regular program was again taken up and carried out.

That community does not propose to stand second to any community anywhere. They have a church home which is a credit to any neighborhood.

Everything strikes you as a community where peace and prosperity reign and where Christian citizenship is of a high standard. The writer can boast that whether he did justice to the subject upon which he tried to speak or not, he did do justice to that good dinner.

E. C. DODSON.